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Dear Interested Party:

The California State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will conduct a constructability workshop session on the fabricated structural steel tower and orthotropic boxes (main span and back span) for the construction contract 04-012064 for the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge East Span Seismic Safety Project. **The SAS Constructability Workshop will be held on Monday, May 13, 2002 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Marriot Hotel at 1001 Broadway, Oakland, California. Registration begins at 8:00 am, followed by the program at 9:00 am.** The San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge East Span Seismic Safety Project is divided into multiple contracts. Separate bid packages will be issued for each contract. Caltrans awarded the Geofill 04-012054 and Skyway 04-012024 contracts in early January 2002.

This workshop will focus on the Self-Anchored Suspension Span/Yerba Buena Island Transition Structure contract, 04-012064, which is scheduled to be advertised in Fall 2002. The Self-Anchored Suspension Span consists of a 160-meter single steel tower with a main cable and inclined suspenders supporting the steel orthotropic decks of a 385-meter main span and a 180-meter back span. The Yerba Buena Island Transition Structure consists of cast in place concrete viaducts.

This workshop session will allow potential contractors, fabricators, and suppliers involved in the supply, fabrication and erection of structural fabricated steel items of work, the 160-meter single steel tower and/or steel orthotropic decks to better understand potential constructability issues on the project. Caltrans would like to present the information to the contractors, fabricators and suppliers of those parts in order to implement the State Contract Act (Public Contract Code 10120). We would like an interactive exchange of information to assist Caltrans in preparing full, complete and accurate plans and specifications and estimates of cost and schedules. Subsequent to the workshop, then, Caltrans can better address constructability issues presented by industry. Caltrans will present information on design background, specifications, and review of quantities and schedule. Those in attendance will be able to share ideas; information and lessons learned on other projects related to the fabricated items.

"Buy America" requirements apply to this project. Visit the Federal Highway Administration website at [www.fhwa.dot.gov](http://www.fhwa.dot.gov) for details regarding "Buy America."

**If you would like to attend the constructability workshop, please respond by May 5, 2002.** Responses should identify your company and the number attending. Space is limited. You may respond by fax, e-mail or U.S. mail to:

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For additional information on the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge East Span Seismic Safety Project, visit the Caltrans website at <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/tollbridge/index.html>. If you have any questions, please call the conference planner at 1-800-517-8335.

There will be a no-host luncheon. If you wish to partake you must supply \$20.00 cash on the day of the workshop.

Sincerely,

H. P. HENSLEY  
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